# City Hall Connection

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# **Stay Connected** with the City

Visit <a href="https://www.ellsworthmaine.gov/">https://www.ellsworthmaine.gov/</a> to learn about City government, boards and committees, department news and City events.

You can sign up to receive emails when we post emergency alerts, committee agendas, upcoming events, Town projects and more! Look for the "Email Notifications" button located at the bottom of our home page and choose the items you would like to subscribe to.



# July 14th, 2020 Election



The State Primary/Special Referendum and City of Ellsworth School **Budget Validation Special Municipal** Referendum Election is Tuesday, July 14. For the City of Ellsworth,

in-person voting will take place on July 14 at the four regular voting wards. City Hall will be closed for regular business on this day.

Voters may cast an absentee ballot instead of voting in person to help minimize interaction with others during this public health pandemic (COVID-19). Casting an absentee ballot is convenient and secure.

For more information or to request an absentee ballot please call the Municipal Clerk's office at 669-6604.

You may also request an absentee ballot online or by mail from the Secretary of State's website: <a href="https://www1.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/">https://www1.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/</a> AbsenteeBallot/online-form.pl

For additional information go to: <a href="https://www.maine.gov/sos/">https://www.maine.gov/sos/</a> cec/elec/voter-info/absenteeguide.html

The City Harbor is proud to announce the completion of the new Harbor Park walkway! The walkway was developed with assistance provided by the Maine Grant Community Recreation Program Bureau of Parks and Lands through the Federal Highway Administration Recreational Trails Program. Completed in mid June by Atlantic Landscape and their subcontractors the walkway is a beautiful addition to the Harbor. New fuel tanks have also been installed and diesel fuel is now available!



Did you know you can renew your vehicle registration online?

Visit https:// www1.maine.go v/online/bmv/ rapid-renewal/.

Use the orange buttons to select "Renew Vehicle" or "Renew Trailer".

Maine.gov A secure, online service provided by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles

Rapid Renewal

This online service makes it possible for you to renew your motor vehicle registration and to pay your local excise tax in one simple transaction. This service is provided by a third party working in partnership with the State of Maine. The total amount you pay includes funds to develop, maintain and enhance the State's official web portal, Maine.gov, and Maine.gov online services like this one

#### Who can use this service?

- · Registrants with an excise-taxable municipality.
- Registrants with a commercial or passenger vehicle.
- Registrants with a non-taxable

Island use, emergency/coach, vehicles over 12,000 pounds GVW, apportioned, special state vehicles must be renewed in person.

Renew Vehicle »

### What you will need

- · Your current vehicle registration
- Your insurance card
- · Your vehicle's current mileage

- View a list of <u>participating</u>
- nunicipalities · Find answers to frequently asked
- questions about vehicles. Find answers to <u>frequently asked</u>
- questions about trailers.

Renew Trailer »

when your registration is due? Use the green button

Would you like a reminder

Need a Renewal Reminder?

Sign up to receive a reminder next

year a month before your vehicle

registration expires.

Related Services

Replace a Registration

Vanity Plate Search & Order

Driver's License & ID Card Renewal

to sign up!

Questions about this service? Contact the BMV Registration Section at: (207) 624-9000 ext. 52149 or email RapidRenewal.BMV@maine.gov

# Did You Know?

You can pay your property taxes, personal property bills, water/ sewer bills, register your dog, boat, ATV, obtain a burn permit, and report issues regarding water, wastewater, trash, traffic signals, and parks online by using the City of Ellsworth's Online Services. Check out our Online Services page at <a href="https://">https://</a> www.ellsworthmaine.gov/online-

services/.



The City of Ellsworth would like to send out a special congratulations to all of the 2020 Graduates!

With Independence Day only a few days away please remember to practice caution when using fireworks. You can access the City's fireworks ordinance by clicking here: https:// www.ellsworthmaine.gov/wpcontent/uploads/2016/06/

Have a safe and happy 4th!

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The first installment of the 2021 **Real Estate and Personal Property** taxes is due on Thursday, September 10th, 2020.

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**Electronic** Waste Collection **Event** 

Saturday July 18 7 a.m. to Noon

Residents are to remain in the vehicle during the drop-off process.



Location: Home Depot, Myrick Street, Ellsworth

**Electronics and Other Universal Waste** 

Fax Machines Cell Phones

Donations appreciated for individual drop off. Businesses with more than 100 employees may download a fee schedule at www.electronicsend.com.



Sponsored by Noontime Rotary Club of Ellsworth in Partnership with Electronics End of Brewer **DONATIONS ACCEPTED -**

For more information, call 266-1553



#### In Memory Of Jef Fitzgerald

We would like to recognize and sincerely thank the late City Planner, Jef Fitzgerald for all of his many accomplishments and contributions to the City of Ellsworth. Jef will be remembered as a kind individual who brought a wealth of knowledge and expertise to the City.



Tucked into a quiet parcel between Ellsworth and Bangor, the Branch Lake Public Forest has three miles of trails which pass through various forest types, along a stream, to a large marsh, and to the shore of Branch Lake.

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In 2010, Frenchman Bay Conservancy collaborated with the City of Ellsworth, the Trust for Public Land, and the Forest Society of Maine in

order to protect Branch Lake. Branch Lake is the singular source of drinking water for Ellsworth, Eastern Maine's largest coastal city. The lake also serves as a significant fishery for salmon, togue, and bass angling and other public recreation. Trail maps are available on the City of Ellsworth website.



The Ellsworth Farmers Market is open every Saturday from 9:30-12:30 at 190 Main Street! Please wear a face covering, shop with clean hands, stay home if you are sick, and plan ahead to shop effi-FARMERS MARKET ciently at the market and help everyone maintain a 6 foot physical distance. The farmers market is

encouraging customers to pre-order items to avoid waiting in line and in crowds. Many of their vendors are offering a preorder option. For more information please visit:

http://www.ellsworthfarmersmarket.com/



Ellsworth Public Library is looking forward to welcoming patrons back into the building on July 1 with safety procedures in place to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. We are also continuing to offer curbside pickup for patrons and are excited to offer a virtual summer read-

ing program. Please follow us on Facebook and check out our website for more information (www.ellsworthlibrary.net). Questions? Email us at info@ellsworthlibrary.net or call 667-6363.

## **COVID-19 UPDATE**

The City of Ellsworth has created a Covid-19 Resources web page dedicated to providing accessible information and resources to businesses and residents. To access this page please visit <a href="https://">https://</a>

www.ellsworthmaine.gov/covid/.



## **Get Involved in Your City!**

The City Council is the governing body of the City and consists of seven elected members, who serve three-year terms.

The City Council meets the 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00PM in the City Council Chambers.

All meeting Agendas & Minutes are posted on the website at www.ellsworthmaine.gov. Meetings are also streamed live on the City's Facebook Page.